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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship is as stated below next to my name(s).

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ISSUING AND MANAGING GIFT CERTIFICATES

the specification of which (*check one*)

- ☒ is attached hereto; or
☐ was filed on _____ as application serial no. _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable); or
☐ was described and claimed in international application no. _____ filed on _____ and as amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above, and that it contains a full, clear, concise and exact description of the subject matter for which a patent is sought.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

Prior Application(s)

☐ (Check if applicable) I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119, by checking the box(es) below, any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

			Priority Claimed?
			<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
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☒ (Check if applicable) I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in the Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the application:

Prior U.S. Application(s)

08/762,128 (Application Number)	9 December 1996 (Day/month/year filed)	Pending (Status – Issued, pending, abandoned)
08/858,738 (Application Number)	19 May 1997 (Day/month/year filed)	Pending (Status – Issued, pending, abandoned)
_____ (Application Number)	_____ (Day/month/year filed)	_____ (Status – Issued, pending, abandoned)

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